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## REMARKS

Applicants are filing this reissue application because of the failure of Applicants and Applicants' prior attorney to appreciate the full scope of the invention described in the specification of the captioned patent, which resulted in the patent claiming less than the patentees had the right to claim.

New claims 29, 61, 62, and 63, which broaden the scope of issued claim 1, have been amended to delete the reference to an "internal component hub," which is consistent with issued claims 17 and 26. The orientations of the internal and external components have also been generalized. Support for the generalization may be found in the specification at 2:49-59, 3:62-4:6, and 4:19-27.

New claims 44 and 54 broaden the scopes of original claims 17 and 26, respectively. The orientations of the internal and external components have been similarly generalized in these claims. New claim 64 is a device claim based on new method claim 55, which in turn is based on issued claim 26.

Early action on the pending claims is earnestly requested. Please charge any additional fees, including any fees for additional extension of time, or credit overpayment to Deposit Account No. 11-1410.

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